Surah 67 Surah Mulk

THE KINGDOM

THE LINK BETWEEN SURAH MULK AND THE PRECEDING SURAHS

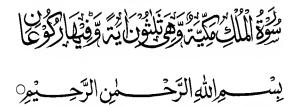
The Surahs from *Surah Hadeed* up to *Surah Tahreem* discuss funding and waging Jihaad for the cause of *Towheed*. The subsequent Surahs, from *Surah Mulk* until *Surah Jinn* discuss another aspect of *Towheed* i.e. the fact that Allaah is the source of all blessings. *Surah Mulk* presents many logical proofs to substantiate the assertion.

Surah Qalam which follows Surah Mulk states that the Muslims should never compromise their beliefs even though the Kuffaar are prepared to make concessions in their beliefs. Surah Haaqa which follows Surah Qalam describes the awful plight in the Aakhirah of those who reject this belief.

A SUMMARY OF THE SURAH

This Surah contains the following:

- * Several logical proofs to show that Allaah is the source of all blessings. These are mentioned in verses 1 to 5 and in 15, 19 and 24.
- * Warnings of punishment to the Kuffaar.
- * Glad tidings to the Mu'mineen.
- * Methods of propagation.



In the name of Allaah, the Most Compassionate, the Most Merciful



1. Most Exalted is the Being in Whose control is all of the kingdom (everything in the universe) and Who has power over everything.

2. He has created death and life to test which of you carry out the best acts (during his/her lifetime before death). He is the Mighty (no one can escape from Him), the Most Forgiving.

3. He has created the seven heavens in layers. You will not see any inconsistency (defects) in Allaah's creation. Look again. Do you see any cracks (in the sky)?

4. Look again and once again (as many times as you please) and your gaze will return embarrassed (defeated) and exhausted (unable to see any defects).

5. Indeed we have adorned the nearest (lowest) sky with lanterns (stars) and have made them (the stars) a means of pelting the Shayaateen (see verses 6-10 of Surah 37). (In addition to this,) We have prepared for them (the Shayaateen) the punishment of the Blaze (Jahannam).

6. The punishment of Jahannam shall be for those who disbelieve in their Rabb and it is indeed an evil place to return to (with the satans).

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7. When they are thrown into it, they will hear it roar as it rages (in addition to it being a raging inferno, Jahannam will also be angry with the Kuffaar).

8. (It will be raging so greatly that) It will seem as if it is about to burst out of fury. Each time a group (of people) is thrown into it, its keeper will ask, "(How did you end up here?) Did a warner (Nabi) not come to you (to warn you about this place)?"

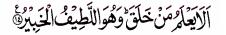
9. They will reply, "Certainly. A warner surely came to us but we rejected (his message) and said, 'Allaah had not revealed anything (to you). You are merely in great error."

10. They will also say, "If we had listened (to the warnings of the Ambiyaa) or understood (made an effort to understand what the Ambiyaa told us), we would not be among the inmates (dwellers) of the Blaze."

11. So (saying,) they will confess their sins (their kufr). May the inmates of the Blaze be distanced (from Allach's mercy)!

12. Indeed those (Mu'mineen) who fear their Rabb without (even) seeing Him (knowing that He certainly sees them, they) shall have forgiveness and a great reward (in the Aakhirah).

13. (Whether you) Speak secretly or openly, verily He (Allaah) has knowledge of (even) the secrets of the heart. (Besides everything you say and do, Allaah knows even what you believe and think.)



14. Does the One Who created (you and your actions) not know (everything about you and what you do), when He has knowledge of (even that which is) mysterious (to man) and is (fully) Informed?

15. It is He Who placed the earth at your service so walk on its roads (use the natural pathways through its mountains and forests) and eat from His sustenance. To Him shall you be raised (on the Day of Qiyaamah).

16. Do you have no fear that (if you continue committing kufr and sinning) He in the heavens will cause the earth to swallow you up after which it would quake?

17. Or do you have no fear that He in the heavens would send a devastating windstorm against you? Soon (if you are destined to suffer punishment in this world,) you shall come to know how (true) My warnings are. (However, if you are not destined to suffer punishment in this world for your kufr and sins, you shall certainly receive it in the Aakhirah.)

18. Verily those before them (present day Kuffaar) rejected (the message of their Ambiyaa (how (devastating) was My punishment (when it arrived)? (The Kuffaar must learn lessons from the destruction of past nations and mend their ways.)



19. Have they not seen (the power of Allaah in) the birds above them spreading their wings out and folding them in (without falling down)? It is only Ar-Rahmaan Who keeps them suspended in the air. Verily He is Watchful over everything (and has complete control over everything).

20. Besides Ar-Rahmaan, who can be your army to assist you (against calamities and problems)? (None besides Allaah can be of any assistance.) Indeed, the Kaafiroon are (lost in) in deception (by thinking that their gods can assist them).

21. Who can give you sustenance if He Who sustains you (Allaah) stops providing for you? (No one else.') However, (despite acknowledging that Only Allaah sustains them,) they (the Kuffaar) adamantly continue their rebellion and enmity (for the truth of Towheed).

22. Is the one who grovels in fear or stumbles in doubt and fear more rightly guided (more likely to reach his destination) than he who walks upright on the straight path? (In a similar manner, the Mu'min who walks the straight path of Islaam without swaying to either extreme is more likely to attain salvation in the Aakhirah than the Kaafir who has no direction in life.)

23. Say, "It is Allaah Who created you and gave you ears, eyes and hearts (and every other faculty for which you cannot ever repay Him). (However,) Little is the gratitude that you show." (Besides failing to express verbal gratitude, many people even fail to use the favours of Allaah in a manner that pleases Him.)

24. Say, "It is Allaah Who spread you out on earth and it is to Him that you shall be gathered (after death)."

25. They (the Kuffaar) say, "When will this promise (Qiyaamah) take place if you are truthful?"

26. Say (to them, O Rasulullaah , "This knowledge (about when Qiyaamah will take place) lies exclusively (solely) with Allaah. I am only a clear warner (warning you about its arrival so that you prepare for it)."

27. When they will see it (the punishment of the Aakhirah) approaching close (drawing near), the faces of the Kuffaar will contort (disfigure with fear) and it will be said, "This is what you used to ask for."

28. (O Rasulullaah Say (to the Kuffaar), "Tell me. If Allaah destroys me and everyone with me (as you Kuffaar prefer) or (if, according to our expectations, Allaah) showers mercy on us (for we are convinced that we will enter Jannah), who can save (protect) the Kuffaar from a painful punishment (in the Aakhirah, which will certainly come to them)?"

29. Say, "He is Ar-Rahmaan. We believe in Him and trust in Him. (He will rescue us from every difficulty.) Soon (when you see your punishment either in this world or in the Aakhirah) you (Kuffaar) shall come to know who (weather you or we) are in open error."

30. (If the Kuffaar still adamantly refuse to accept Allaah as the Only Ilaah, then) **Say** (to them), **"Tell me. If your water sinks to the depths of the earth** (beyond your reach), **who** (which of your gods) **can provide you with pure water?"** (When their gods cannot even provide them with water, how will they possibly save them from Allaah's punishment?)